

Hamilton, Missouri
Water Supply Study
City Lake

Hamilton is located in North Central Caldwell County. Their water supply comes from a city owned lake located approximately 2 miles West of Hamilton. The lake is not large enough, both in drainage area and capacity, to meet the demand during extended periods of dry weather. The drainage area of the lake is 1142 acres (1.78 Sq. Mi.). The city has installed a pump to pump water from Marrowbone Creek to the lake. The drainage area at point of intake is 38.2 square miles. The pump is rated at 1000 gallon per minute and can only pump when flow in the creek is sufficient to allow pumping.

Hamilton currently uses 260,000 gallon of water per day. At the time of this study rural water district #1 was planning obtain their water from Hamilton.

The optimized demand for this lake without pumping from Marrowbone Creek is 190,240 gallon per day.

Hamilton Lake analysis consisted of using the NRCS's computer program called "RESOP". Following is the data and procedures for input to the program.

STO-AREA Elevation-Storage and Elevation-Area data were determined from
July 11, 2000 survey made by USGS.

Hamilton Lake		
Elevation (feet)	Area (acres)	Storage (ac-ft)
901	0.42	0.14
903	4.37	4.47
905	10.98	19.35
907	17.18	46.95
909	23.41	86.83
911	29.35	139.49
913	39.17	207.91
915	48.36	295.03
917	61.39	404.06
919	73.65	539.65
921	82.09	695.49
921.6	84.77	745.49
923	90.50	868.80
923.3	91.48	896.09

Water Surface on 7/11/2000

Spillway Elev.

Spillway Elev. = 923.3 Feet mean sea level - Plans show assumed elev. 113.
Intake Elev. = 917.3 Feet mean sea level - Plans show assumed elev. 107.

LIMITS Max. Pool storage 896 Ac.Ft.
Minimum Pool storage 405 Ac.Ft.

This was later changed by a letter from Breck Summerford on 8/9/2000. Lowered to elevation 905.0 feet. This seemed low so it was raised 2 feet to 47 Ac.Ft. storage.

Starting storage was considered at maximum pool.

The elevation difference between the spillway and intake is only 6 feet. The intake is at elevation of 917.3. The lower limit for the analysis was set at elevation 907.

GENERAL	<p>The adjustment to convert from pan evaporation to lake evaporation was made for the control word EVAP. The factor was 0.76. As a result a factor of 100.0 was used here.</p> <p>The record period of drought is in the 1950's. Analysis began in January 1951 and ended December 1959.</p>
SEEPAGE	<p>The reservoir seepage varied from 0 seepage near empty to a maximum of 1 inch per month when at full pool. The material in the dam is compacted earth of clayey soils. The lake is shallow so that static pressure is low. As a result seepage is small.</p>
RAINFALL	<p>Rainfall data came from the Gallatin, Mo. rain gage for the period 1951 through May 1954. Then records were kept for Hamilton and were used for the period June 1954 through 1959. Gallatin is located 14 miles north of Hamilton.</p>
RUNOFF	<p>This is the runoff into the lake from its drainage area. Monthly runoff volumes in watershed inches were determined at the Jenkins Branch stream gage, a tributary to Platte River. The drainage area is 2.72 square miles. Jenkins Br. gage is located approximately 30 miles WSW from Hamilton. This monthly runoff was compared to the rainfall and if the results did not appear reasonable, adjustments were made for that month by looking at individual rains and estimating antecedent moisture, then adjusting runoff based on NRCS's runoff curve numbers.</p>
EVAP.	<p>Pan evaporation at the Lakeside gaging station was used as a base because it has data for year around evaporation. This data was updated with gage data from stations at Spickard, New Franklin, and Columbia. Depending on the latest data for the station nearest to Hamilton. The adjustment factor of 0.76 to convert from Pan to Lake evaporation was applied at this step.</p>
DEMAND	<p>This was determined by city records. Hamilton has a daily use of 180,000 Gallon per Day. Also Water district #1 plans to purchase 80,000 GPD of water from Hamilton. The total use will be 260,000 gallon per day.</p>
OTHER	<p>This refers to the volume of water pumped from Marrowbone Creek into Hamilton Reservoir.</p> <p>Determination of the volume of water available for pumping was made using daily discharges at the Crooked River stream gage near Richmond. The Crooked River gage is about 26 miles South of Hamilton. The drainage area is 159 Square Miles and the drainage area at the point of pumping on Marrowbone Creek is 24,455 acres (38.2 square miles).</p> <p>Daily discharge rates for Crooked River were reduced by a ratio of 38/159 to determine potential pumping rates. Pumping was only planned for flows above 2 cubic feet per second. This was determined from agreements on Locust Creek. Pumping on Locust Creek began at 10 cubic feet per second for 225 square miles drainage area. This is $10/225=0.044$ cubic feet per second per square miles drainage area. 38.2 square miles times 0.044 = 1.7 cubic feet per second rounded up to 2 cfs.</p> <p>The maximum rate of pumping was 1000 gallon per minute or 2.23 cfs.</p> <p>Some months had pumping reduced from the maximum available because the reservoir filled and there was flow through the spillway.</p>

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Storage Volume

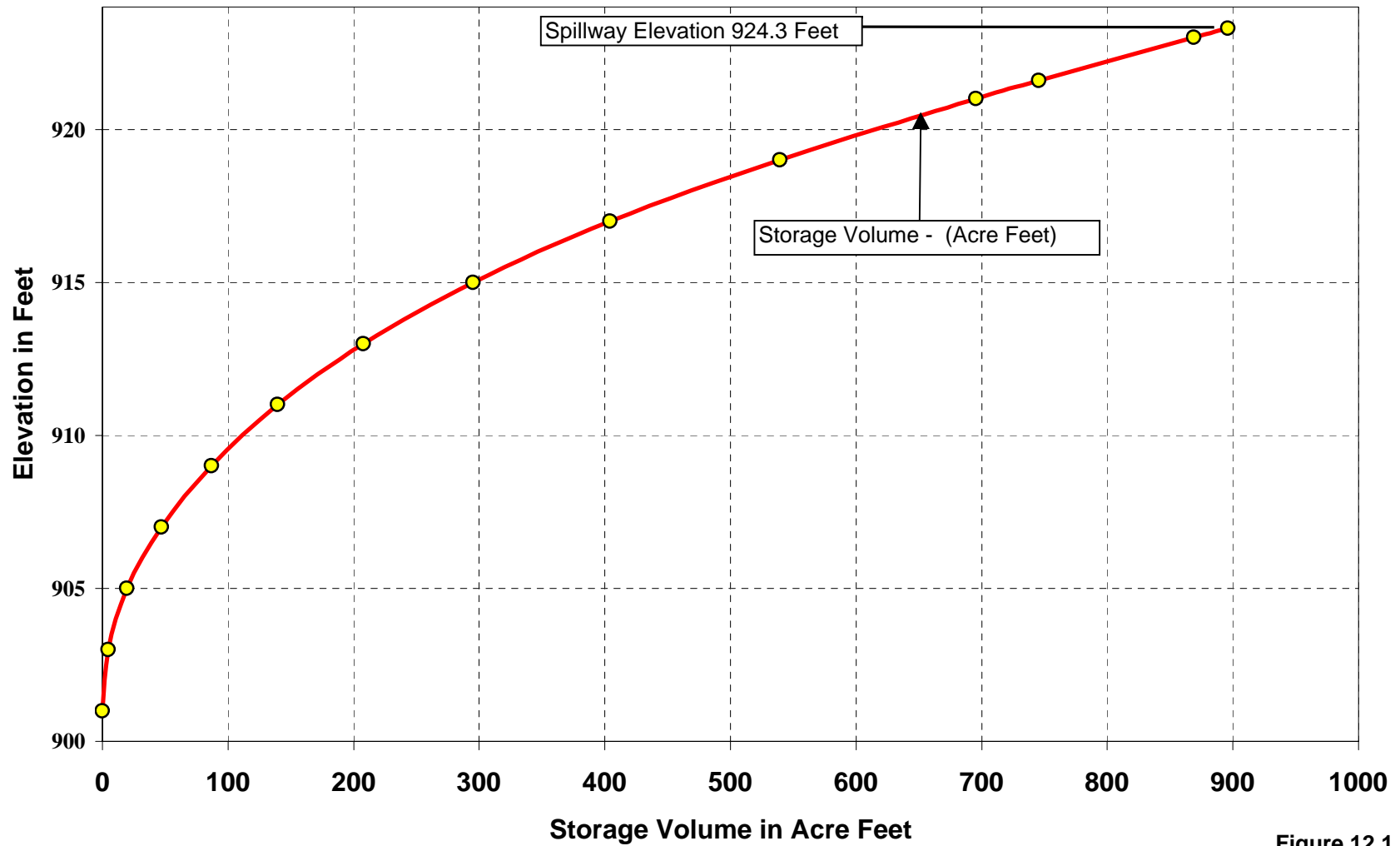


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Surface Area

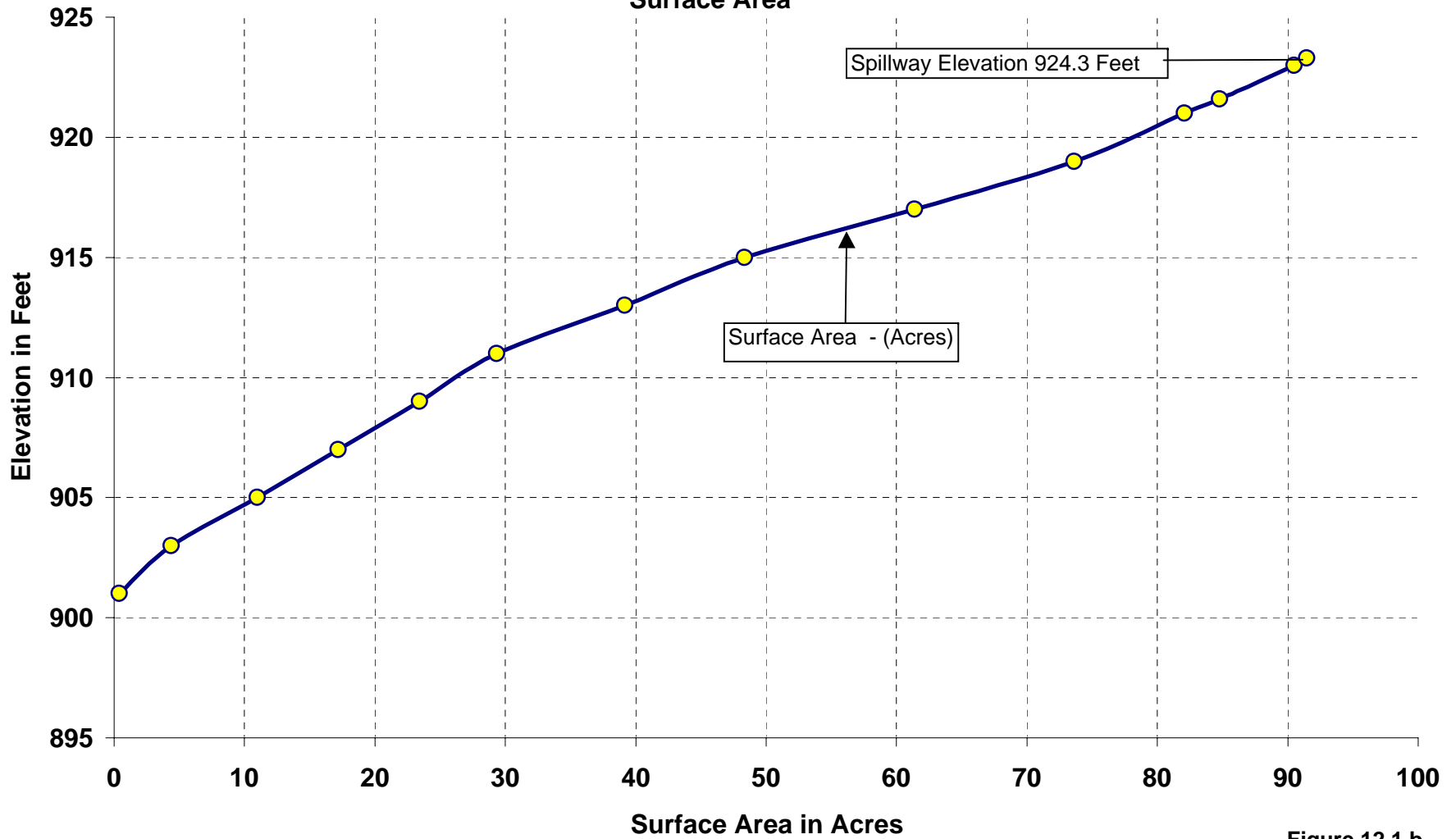


Figure 12.1.b

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Lake Storage

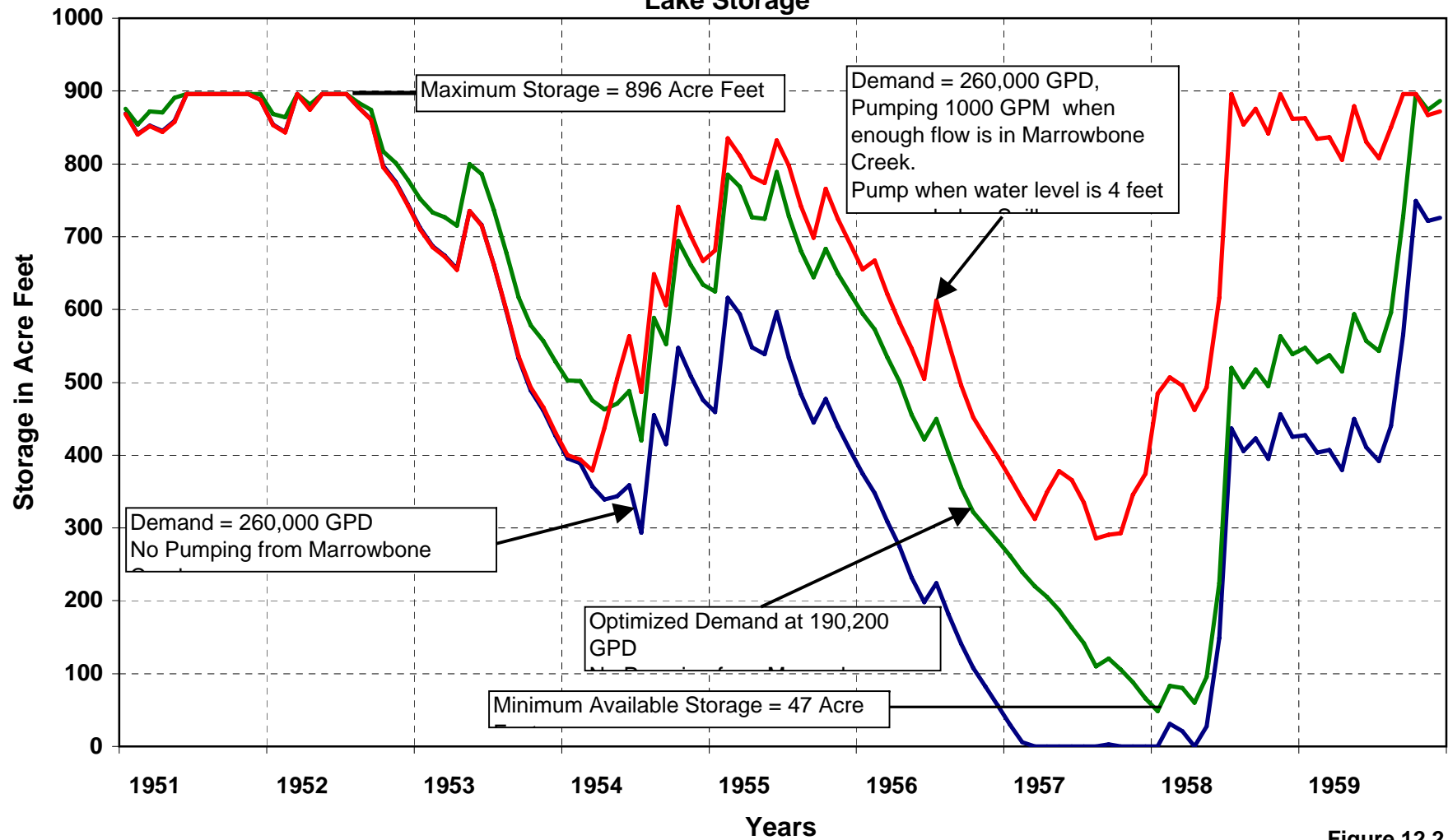


Figure 12.2

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Water Use

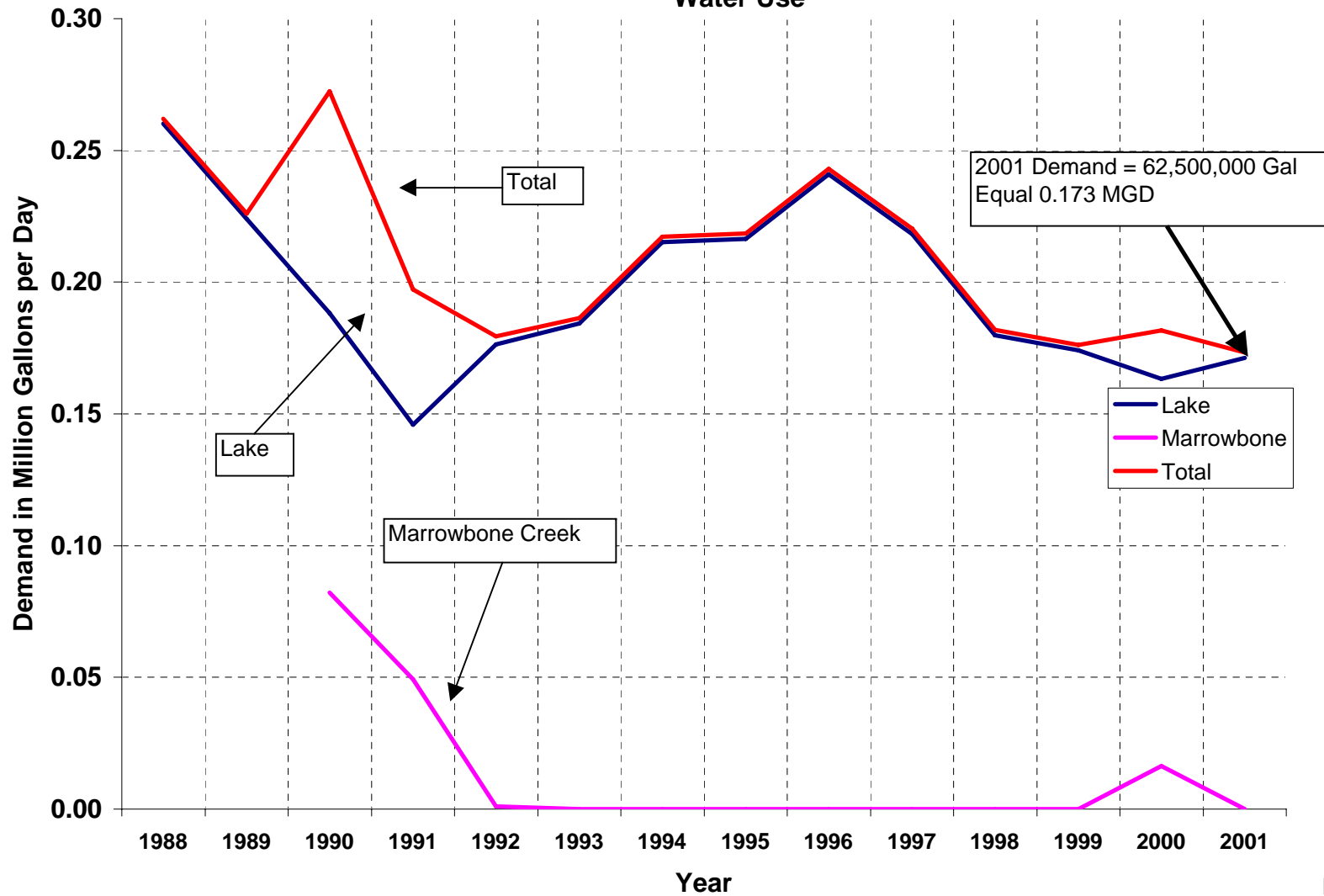
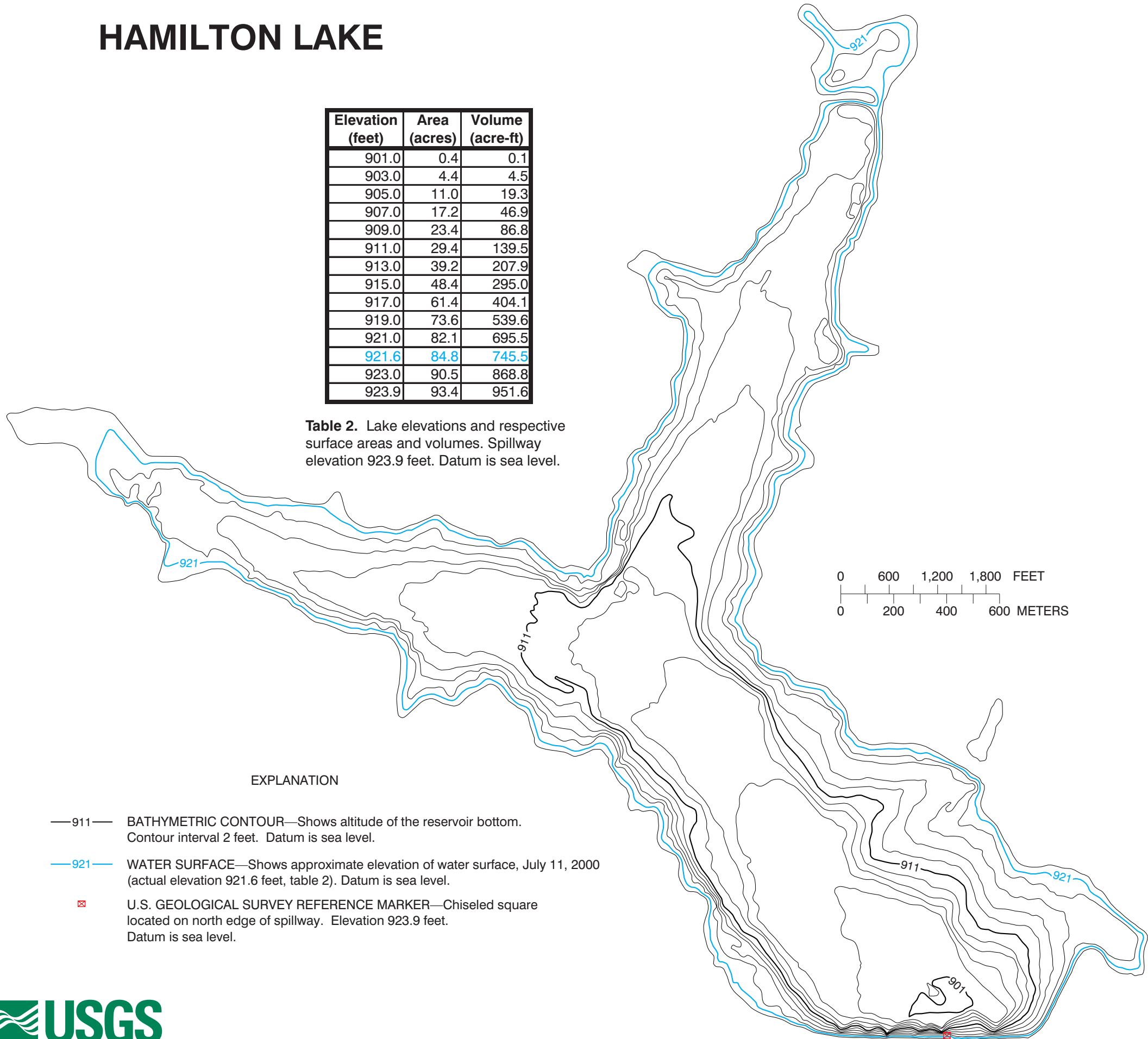


Figure 12.3

HAMILTON LAKE

Elevation (feet)	Area (acres)	Volume (acre-ft)
901.0	0.4	0.1
903.0	4.4	4.5
905.0	11.0	19.3
907.0	17.2	46.9
909.0	23.4	86.8
911.0	29.4	139.5
913.0	39.2	207.9
915.0	48.4	295.0
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921.0	82.1	695.5
921.6	84.8	745.5
923.0	90.5	868.8
923.9	93.4	951.6

Table 2. Lake elevations and respective surface areas and volumes. Spillway elevation 923.9 feet. Datum is sea level.



EXPLANATION

- 911— BATHYMETRIC CONTOUR—Shows altitude of the reservoir bottom. Contour interval 2 feet. Datum is sea level.
- 921— WATER SURFACE—Shows approximate elevation of water surface, July 11, 2000 (actual elevation 921.6 feet, table 2). Datum is sea level.
- ☒ U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY REFERENCE MARKER—Chiseled square located on north edge of spillway. Elevation 923.9 feet. Datum is sea level.

Figure 2. Bathymetric map and area/volume table for Hamilton Lake near Hamilton, Missouri.

